

Club classifieds

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For Sale: 30' Seafarer, STARDUST TOO. Teak interior, designed by McCurdy & Rhodes, built 1984, rebuilt in 2001. Offered at \$23,500. See in Riverscape Marina, Cos Cob or call Harry Eberheim 661-8334.

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Wanted: Kayak - Member seeks ocean or wilderness kayak or dinghy in decent shape. Contact katiekayak@hotmail.com.

For Sale: Achilles SE-12 raft. \$500.00 Wooden floor holds an optional 15 hp motor.Call Dave Osler 637-0727.

For Sale: Olympic Class Star Sailboat, 22', on trailer at Greenwich Point parking lot. Asking \$1,500. 698-1862 (H) 845 602-2050 (W).

For Sale: “Libertine”, Pearson Renegade 27' with roller furling jib, Atomic 4 inboard, GPS, VHF plus.\$5,000. Call Dean Busetti 869-1660 ext.627 for info.

For Sale: Laser Sailboat. 1994, Racing condition. \$1,750 Call Bob 698-3013

For Sale: Perception Eclipse 17'2"x22.5" sea kayak. Poly, yellow/red. Rudder. Cockpit cover. Excellent, purchased 10/01. \$1075. Oliver: 203-750-0362 (or e-mail obloch@optonline.net).

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For Sale: ’89 Chaparel with cover and trailer. New Mercruiser engine only used 5 hrs. Asking \$7,000. Contact Tony Parisi 637-1094.

Boat Services: Boat Bottoms painted / In-water Cleaning. Call Certified Divers Dave Osler and James Osler at 637-0727.

Ship’s Locker Merchandise Available at GCS

Club Members can purchase burgees, hats, and other club merchandise daily during the summer at the GCS headquarters in the Chimes Building. Hours are gam to 6 pm daily until Labor Day. P.S. Don’t forget your Club Member 10% discount on classes while you’re there.

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An indispensable guide and comprehensive resource, *The Boating Bible* by Jim Murrant should be an essential piece of gear for the novice and experienced sailor alike.

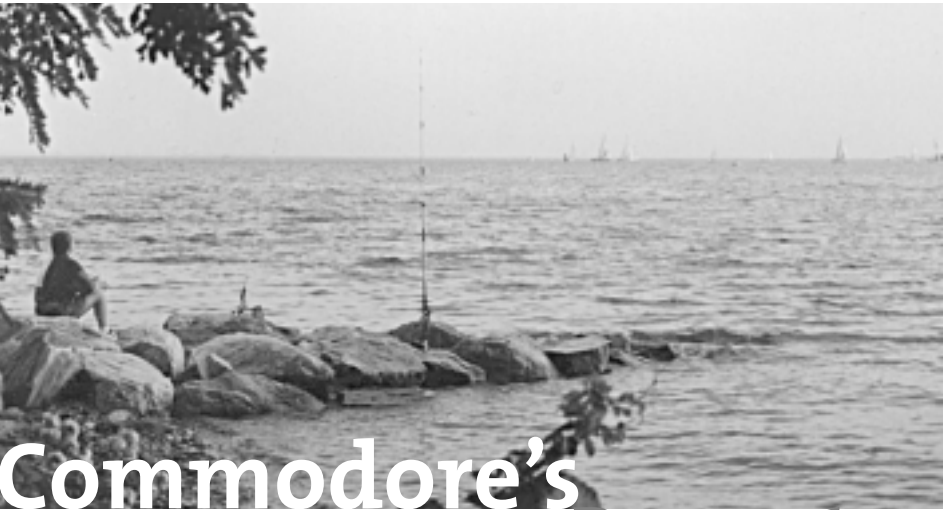
It's all in here, from how to tie a bowline knot, to emergency medical procedures to safety and rescue. In

the back is a glossary which contains just about every sailing and boating term you'd ever want to

know. Imagine being at your next sun-downer and being to speak intelligibly about "positive surge" or "neaps" — cool stuff!

It’s reasonably priced and available at many fine boating stores in the area.

Bob Cullinane
Newsletter Editor



Commodore’s Report

THE PORCH CONSTRUCTION PROJECT IS FINISHED! Thanks to our Members for their patience during the construction cycle and I’m happy to report that the grills are back. Steve Ivan and his crew brought the project in on time and on budget and managed to keep the Clubhouse interior available for our use. Aside from the views that are better than ever, the best part may be that the project is already paid for from funds set aside in the Capital Budget for that purpose 2 years ago. ENJOY!

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE: Over 8,000 people lined Sound Beach Avenue as OGYC Members and hundreds of other marchers offered their tribute to those who gave their lives in the service of our country. Pictures appear later in this Newsletter.

BUDGET: As we finish the first two quarters of our fiscal year, revenues are running ahead of plan and expenses are running slightly less than plan. Clearly the best of both worlds. The Board fully expects to meet the projections presented at the Annual Meeting last November.

MEMBERSHIP: As of the middle of June, Renewals were 105% of budget, 28 new Members had joined our Club and both Launch and Mercury program participation were ahead of budget. We welcome our renewing Members back for another great boating season at OGYC and I know that Leslie Napoleon and Dan Dobryn have been hard at work helping our new Members become part of our community as soon as possible. Be sure to stop by our next *Get Acquainted* event on Sunday, the 28th.

LAUNCH SERVICES: After a run in with an unmarked mushroom anchor which chose to sit just outside the channel with its fluke up, JOY is back in service. Thanks to Steve Marino and Mike Pinto for all of the work they put in to get her back after replacing the prop, shaft and cutlass bearing. Fortunately, the parts and repairs are all covered by insurance.



Who's Who at OGYC

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OGYC Calendar Highlights

Prospective dates for 2002 events. Please note, dates are subject to change –please check future issues of *The Boathouse* for the most accurate dates, starting times and locations.

- July
- Capt. Harbor Invitational Race – IHYC Friday, July 12, 7 pm
- Club Cruise – Lunch Cruise Saturday, July 13
- Mercury Cutty Sark and Small Boat Race Sunday, July 7, 2:30 pm
- Vespers Races Wednesdays, July 10, 17, 24, 31, 7 pm
- Sundowner Dinner Saturday, July 13, 7 pm
- Cutty Sark Mercury Race Sunday, July 14, 2:30 pm
- Island Beach Rendezvous Saturday, July 20, 6 pm
- Capt. Harbor Invitational Race – OGYC Friday, July 26, 7 pm
- Welcome New Members Reception Sunday, July 28, 5 pm



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Commodore's Report

Please welcome new drivers Michael Smith and Mary Rappa to our Launch team. Michael will be with us until he starts college at Boston University in the fall and I think most Members know Mary who has been an active volunteer for racing and social events since joining OGYC last year. Welcome aboard!

SUNDOWNERS: Our first two Sundowners are in the record books and both were sell outs. The Lobster Bake hosted by Jeanne Pici sold out in mid-May. Greeted by strong winds and driving rain, over 50 people still enjoyed a great dinner inside the Clubhouse with a very soggy view of our newly completed deck. Our third annual Grill the Commodores marked the completion of the construction project and under the direction of Bob Russell honored over 10 past OGYC and GCRA Commodores. To make this event a little more special, each past Commodore was presented with a commemorative hat designed by merchandise coordinator Casey Fignar in recognition of his service to the Club. Thanks to both Jeanne and Bob for making these events so successful.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: John Ehlers has put together this year's Nominating Committee as required in the By-laws. His committee consists of Dick Franck, Jack Kent, Ann Riley and John Craine. Thanks to each of them for their continuing service to the Club. They will be presenting a slate of officers for the year 2003 (our 60th) which will be published in the October and November Newsletters. If you have an interest in playing a greater role in the management of OGYC, give John Ehlers or one of the other Committee Members a call.

CONDOLENCES: For the third time this year, I am called upon to extend the condolences of our Club to the family of one of our members. Eleanor Shields passed away on May 25. A 40 year Member of OGYC, Eleanor treasured her membership in our Club and she will be missed.

With the heart of the boating season upon us and our racing, cruising and social calendar filled to the brim, I look forward to spending the summer with my friends on our boats in the cove and beyond. At the end of a day on the water, the view from our new deck still takes my breath away when the sun sets over the flagpole. With the boat racks relocated, it is as perfect a spot as any in New England. Thanks to everyone who helped make it so.

Gene Fignar
Commodore



Mercury Members Corner



By now most people in the Mercury Program should have their full certification and be enjoying the fine sailing in Great Captain Harbor. If you don't yet have your certification, please schedule a check ride or sailing class with Greenwich Community Sailing, or call me for an advanced certification application.

Our two racing seminars were a success. Thanks to both Marty Waine and John Ehlers for volunteering their time to lead these sessions. We had 16 people total attend the two sessions and were able to conduct about 10 short races on each day. On June 16th, we had a 180 degree wind shift with the wind filling in to about 15 to 18 knots. Soon after, we headed in and made it back to the cove before the hail and thunder started.

With so many people interested in racing, I hope to see a great turnout at our Cutty Sark series. July will conclude the last two of these three races. If you haven't already, come out and join us for

some fun racing in July. Tom O'Connell will be coordinating these races, so please contact him if you have any questions (oconnell@optonline.net). Plan on being at the club house at 1:30 for the skippers meeting and heading out shortly thereafter.

Cutty Sark Mercury Race 2 2:30 pm Sunday, July 7
Cutty Sark Mercury Race 3 2:30 pm Sunday, July 14
WELCOME NEW MEMBERS RECEPTION 5 pm Sunday, July 28

The new Members reception is a great opportunity for new members and old to get to know each other at a fun social event. If you can, plan on stopping by to get to know the new members in the club.

If I can be of assistance, please let me know.

Safe and fun sailing,

Sincerely,
Dan Dobryn
Director – Education Programs
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The Race Report

The OGYC Racing program kicked off with an unprecedented 8 boats out for the Vespers Tune-up Race. The first series is averaging 12 boats on the starting line and the clubhouse is hopping afterwards. YRA is off to a slow start because of conflicting regattas and adverse weather, but is coming back strong. Mercuries have prepared for a fun low key racing series with seminars ably led by Marty Waine and John Ehlers. I have even heard rumors of a spinnaker seminar - call Brent if you're interested so he can arrange a series of group lessons.

July schedule:

Mercuries and Small boat start: 2:30 start July 7, July 14
PHRF boats: Vespers, every Wednesday night, 7:00 start
Joint ventures: Captain Harbor Friday Invitational Vespers Series:
July 12, IHYC, July 26 OGYC
July 13, RYC Saturday PHRF Series, 12:55 warning
YRA every Sunday, outside start, 1:00

Join the party, race!

Karen Thomas
Director – Race Committee

Save
The
Date

Sundowner July 13th

Save the Date

Check your e mail or The Clubhouse

For Details

OGYC Launch Schedule 2002



MAY

4 - 5	Saturday/Sunday	10:00 am - 6:00 pm
11 - 12	Saturday/Sunday	10:00 am - 6:00 pm
18 - 19	Saturday/Sunday	10:00 am - 6:00 pm
22	Wednesday	1:00 pm - 9:00 pm
24	Friday	9:30 am - 7:00 pm
25 - 26	Saturday/Sunday	9:30 am - 10:00 pm
27	Monday -	
	Memorial Day	9:00 am - 9:00 pm
28, 29,		
30, & 31	Tues/Wed/Thurs/Fri	12:00 am - 9:00 pm

JUNE 1 THROUGH AUGUST 29

Monday - Thursday	12:00 am - 9:00 pm
Friday	12:00 am - 10:00 pm
Saturday	9:00 am - 10:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am - 9:00 pm

SPECIAL NOTES:

4th & 5th of July/ Thurs & Fri. – Launch Service will be from 9:00 am until 10 pm. Service Ends at 10 pm on Club Rendezvous Saturdays. Extended hours only available to Participating Boats until 11:00 pm.

LABOR DAY WEEKEND THROUGH SEPTEMBER 8

August 30	Friday	9:00 am - 9:00 pm
August 31		
and Sept.1	Saturday/Sunday	9:00 am - 9:00 pm
2	Monday / Labor Day	9:00 am - 8:00 pm
3	Tues.	12:00 am - 8:00 pm
4	Wednesday	12:00 am - 9:00 pm
5	Thurs.	12:00 am - 8:00 pm
6	Friday	12:00 am - 9:00 pm
7	Saturday	9:00 am - 9:00 pm
8	Sunday	9:00 am - 8:00 pm

SEPTEMBER 9 THROUGH OCTOBER 14

Fridays	12:00 am - 8:00 pm
Saturdays	9:00 am - 8:00 pm
Sundays	9:00 am - 7:00 pm
Mondays	12:00 am - 7:00 pm
* Columbus Day / Mon. Oct. 14	9:00 am - 7:00 pm
Sept. 11- only if needed for Vespers	(Noon - 9 pm)

OCTOBER END OF SEASON

19 - 20	Saturday/Sunday	9:00 am - 6:00 pm
26 - 27	Sat/Sun (clocks change)	9:00 am - 6:00 pm

* Cruisers are reminded that boats are traditionally hauled this weekend so be sure to park your cars well clear of the marina dry boat storage area.



Memorial Day Parade 2002

The Old Greenwich Annual Memorial Day Parade became a great venue for our Club to show off its true colors. Our representation included OGYC Flag Officers in full uniform, followed by a boatload of kids (literally) in a Flying Scot decked out with flags and the club burgee.



New Members

We would like to welcome the following new Members who have joined this month

Jonathan & Susan Asch
James & Robin Carey
Daniel & Jessica Fass
Palmer Sloan & Finley Harkham
Catherine Johnston
Chris Jones & Pam Kuhn
Jurij & Tania Priatka
David & Alice Ruf
Edward & Sally Scannell
Alex & Wendy Stanton
Clifford & Wendy Stober
Bill Vernon

Within the group we have 7 new Mercury members and 1 Corinthian member. We are delighted to see that they have all shown an interest in volunteering to help with club activities.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Lobster Bake 2002

Thanks to Pat Quis and her crew, the First sundowner of the season was sold-out two weeks prior to the event and kicked-off the party season on a positive note. It was great to see so many new members and their children present and the usual suspects too. Yum!





JANUARY	Change of Watch Reception/Race Awards	1 pm	Sunday, Jan. 6
	Open House	2 pm	Sundays Jan. 13, 20, 27
FEBRUARY	Cruise Planning Pot Luck Supper	6 pm	Saturday, Feb. 2
	3rd Annual Chili Contest	1 pm	Saturday, Feb. 9
	Open House	2 pm	Sundays, Feb. 3 10, 17, 24
	Sail Seminar at Hathaway's	7 pm	Wednesday, Feb. 27
MARCH	Spring Race Meeting	2 pm	Sunday, March 10
	Open House	2 pm	Sundays March 3, 17, 24, 31
	Think Spring Dinner Dance	7 pm	Saturday, March 16
APRIL	Work Party – Clubhouse & Marina	9-1:30	*Sat., April 20 *8:30 Coffee & Bagels
	Cruiser's Trip Planning Brunch	10:30 am	Saturday, April 27
	Mercury Fleet– Prepare and Launch (1st date)	10:30 am	Sunday , April 28
MAY	Launch Service Begins	10 am	Saturday, May 4
	Mercury Fleet– Prepare and Launch (2nd date)	9 am	Sunday , May 5
	Mercury Member Meeting– Mandatory 1 of 2	1-2:30pm	Sunday , May 5
	GCS Weekend Racing Techniques course	1:30-5pm	Sat. and Sun., May 4-5; May 11-12
	YRA Race	1:00 pm	Sundays from May 5-Oct. 6
	Commissioning Day	1:00 pm	Saturday, May 11
	Vespers Tune– Up Race	7 pm	Wednesday, May 22
	Club Cruise– City Island/NYC		Sat. / Mon.-May 25-27
	OGYC Float in Memorial Day Parade	9 am	Monday, May 27
	Vespers Race	7 pm	Wednesday, May 29
JUNE	Vespers Races	7 pm	Wednesdays, June 5, 12, 19, 26
	Mercury Member Meeting– Mandatory 2 of 2	11:30-1 pm	Sunday, June 9
	OGYC Racing Seminars– Mercury	1-5	Sundays June 9, 16
	Club Cruise– Lunch– Ziegler's Cove		Saturday, June 16 or 29th
	Lobster Dinner	7 pm	Friday, June 14
	GCS Weekend Racing Techniques course	1:30-5	Sat and Sun June 15-16
	Capt. Harbor Invitational Race– RYC	7 pm	Friday, June 21
	Club Championships	2 pm	Saturday, June 22
	Island Beach Rendezvous	6 pm	Saturday, June 22
	Club Cruise– Island Beach Overnight	6 pm	Sat./Sun.-June 22-23
	Non-Racers Race\ Comm. Dennison Trophy	2:45 pm	Sunday, June 23
	Mercury Cutty Sark and Small Boat Race	2:30 pm	Sunday, June 23
	Sundowner– Grill the Commodores	7 pm	Friday, June 28
	Summer Cruise-MV, Block Island		June 29-July 15
	Welcome New Members Reception	5 pm	Sunday, June 30

JULY	Capt. Harbor Invitational Race–IHYC	7 pm	Friday, July 12
	Club Cruise–Lunch Cruise		Saturday, July 13
	Mercury Cutty Sark and Small Boat Race	2:30 pm	Sunday, July 7
	Vespers Races	7 pm	Wednesdays, July 10, 17, 24, 31
	Sundowner Dinner	7 pm	Saturday, July 13
	Cutty Sark Mercury Race	2:30 pm	Sunday, July 14
	Island Beach Rendezvous	6 pm	Saturday, July 20
	Capt. Harbor Invitational Race–OGYC	7 pm	Friday, July 26
	Welcome New Members Reception	5 pm	Sunday, July 28
AUGUST	Vespers Races	7 pm	Wednesdays, Aug. 7, 14, 21, 28
	Sundowner Dinner	7 pm	Friday, August 9
	Club Cruise–Lunch Cruise		Saturday, August 10
	Invitational Club Cruise–Cold Spring Harbor		Sat./Sun., August 17-18 (Craine's)
	Island Beach Rendezvous	6 pm	Saturday, August 17
	Mercury Program Daytime Rendezvous	Noon	TBD
	Welcome New Members Reception	5 pm	Sunday, August 25
	Club Cruise– Port Jeff Centerport		Sat./Mon., Aug. 31-Sept. 2nd (Louden's)
SEPTEMBER	Vespers Races	7 pm	Wednesdays, Sept. 4, 11
	Sundowner	7 pm	Saturday, Sept. 7
	Family Day Picnic & USS America Race	4 pm*	Sat., Sept. 14 *Race Start-Noon
	Mercury Stanley Birdsey Cup Race	Noon	Saturday, Sept. 14
	GCS Weekend Racing Techniques course	9:30-1	Sat. and Sun. Sept. 21-22
OCTOBER	Mercury Fleet Hauling		TBD
	Club Cruise-Oyster Bay/Hempstead		Sat./Mon., Oct. 12-14
	Launch Service Ends	5 pm	Sunday, Oct. 27
	Pot Luck Dinner	TBD	TBD
NOVEMBER	Annual Meeting	2 pm	Sunday, Nov. 17
DECEMBER	Officer's Open House / Race Awards	1 pm	Sunday, Dec. 1
	Children's Holiday Party	1 pm	Sunday, Dec. 8

The STERN

Sixth in a series of articles related to our club's rich history

The Shed

by Joe Powers, Club Historian

“If Frank Flower grabs you and pulls you into the shed, he’ll eat you!”* Kids at the sailing camp and other activities would warn the new kids of the perils around the dock. The shed attached to the OGYC clubhouse a natural magnet for youthful imaginations was attached to the west wall of the clubhouse. The shed was one third of the attached structure with its door on the left side of the clubhouse front; the other two thirds was the Quarter Deck room with its entrance door inside the clubhouse. Frank Flower presided over the shed for several generations of small fry. Since he seldom spoke directly to the young kids, Frank inspired many conjectures about what he did in the shed. Some conjectures as quoted above, were a tad wide of the mark.

The structure was a addition erected by the Tods to the original Tod estate Boathouse/garage. When the Old Greenwich Boat Club moved to the clubhouse in the 1940s, Hugh Daugherty, the first full time dock master, had several items in the shed. As Frank later recalled, Frank Flower, Walter Lucas and Ken Lucas** moved the items over to the Chimes building. Frank had the key to the shed and nobody raised questions about the change in proprietor, as quoted above.

Frank was a pack rat. The shed contained one of his caches. Over the years, Frank squirreled batteries, paint cans, oil cans, oiling cans, tools, spare rope, rubber tubing, fenders, foul weather gear, oars, spark plugs and items collected from the dock, boat yard, junked boats and donations. The need to collect had been formed in the Great Depression when people had to make do with little. It had been reinforced by the experiences of discarding an item and finding the next day that he needed that exact item. Frank hated to throw out an item that might be useful. If somebody needed a cleat, Frank would proffer the cleat if he could find one in his collection. Frank worked on motors, repaired boats, the club racing boat, the Stamas, the Boston whalers and the club Mercurys. As a mark of respect for his long (1946 to 1996) service for the club, Frank’s foul weather gear still hangs in the shed that he inhabited for so many years.

After his retirement from the town in 1975, Frank became assistant dock master at the Point. This required that he stand in for the dock master on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and involved passing along any matters needing the dock master’s attention.

The position required that he be appointed every year. In the early 1990s, one of Frank’s contemporaries, MacDonald by name, threatened to apply for the assistant dock master position declaring, “I can do nothing as well as Frank Flower does.”

* Bill Bennett, Past Commodore, recalls being awed by Frank and his shed. He remembered attending club cookouts. Earle Bragdon and Tom Lauricella, Past Commodores, and Frank Flower would be grilling the hot dogs and hamburgers. As the children would step forward to receive their food, they would hear one man tell another, “They look about ready.” To the panicked children that could only mean one thing. The line from the movie, “Cool Hand Luke” is apropos, “We have a problem in communication, here.”

** Ken Lucas, who has been a member for many years, was stationed on the USS Arizona in December 1941. He, together with many of his shipmates, was on shore leave on December 7, 1941. Few expected the Japanese attack on a peaceful Sunday.



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Facilities

State of Connecticut Combined Safe Boating / PWC Certificate Course

Three Nights in July
7:00pm - 10:00pm
At the OGYC Clubhouse
Dates to be posted on June 23
at the Clubhouse

Fee: FREE

Registration: 861-9676
(Include name, tel. #, and number in group)

Class size is limited to 30
Sign-up early !



A View of the Bridge

One of a series of profiles of the 2002 OGYC Flag Officers

Secretary
Naomi Myers



OGYC By-Laws — Article V — Flag Officers, Section 5: *The Secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings, including meetings of the Board of Directors and shall give notice to the Membership of all meetings and activities. The Secretary shall be responsible for all records and documents related to the operation of the Club. The Secretary shall send each Member, in January, a copy of the Annual Membership Renewal Form specifying Dues and other fees for the year. The secretary shall prepare and publish a Roster of Members in good standing. The secretary shall make available lists of Members who have paid proper fees for launch service, racing or other special activities. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to provide each Member who has paid the proper fees with a Membership Card and a launch service sticker. The Secretary shall forward a Membership Card, launch service sticker, if applicable, a roster, a copy of the By-laws and other pertinent information to each new Member.*

Naomi spelled backwards is “I moan” but you’ll never hear a moan or a groan or even a peep of complaint from Naomi Myers as she goes about her work as OGYC Secretary – now for the second time! She’s a cheery person, which is, perhaps, a heritage from her teen years as a Cheerleader at Midwood High School in Brooklyn.

Then she really got serious, earning a Bachelor’s Degree in British Civilization at Barnard College. She worked in international relations for two years before getting her MA in Speech Pathology. That wasn’t enough so she went on to earn a PhD in Language Development and Disorders after which she taught at Montclair (NJ) State University for 25 years, commuting all that time from Old Greenwich. Naomi is now Professor Emerita at MSU!

She met Steve Myers on a blind date when they were both going for their PhD’s – Naomi at Columbia University and Steve at New York University (Downtown.) – and soon after they were married. 1976 was a very productive year for the Drs. Myers – they both completed their Doctorates, they moved to Old Greenwich and their daughter, Lauren, was born! (Lauren is following family tradition and recently earned her MA at the University of Chicago. Steve’s PhD is in Physics and he worked on the development of instrumentation to analyze DNA.)

The Myers have been Members of OGYC since 1979 and they are active racers. Naomi confesses that she was petrified to step from the dock into a boat until she took lessons in the Club’s Wednesday afternoon Ladies Sailing Program. She overcame her fear, got a taste for racing and later even won a Sunfish race! Naomi says she has always done the deck work on their boats – first a Rhodes 19, then a Bristol 22, then a Pearson 30 to the boat they are now sailing, *Even Keel*, a Catalina 320 – because she was always afraid that if Steve fell overboard from the fore deck she wouldn’t be able to pick him up!

Thank goodness, Naomi Myers is aboard the OGYC Bridge!

Bob Oppenheimer



Join us for OGYC’s Annual Island Beach Rendezvous & Breakfast

Sail out to Island Beach on Saturday night for the OGYC Rendezvous. Then stay overnight on your anchor off the Island or on your mooring in the Cove and join us for Breakfast on the OGYC Patio on Sunday morning.

Saturday, July 20

The OGYC launch picks up from boats anchored off Island Beach after the last ferry departs at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, July 21

Breakfast on the deck: \$5

For Breakfast Reservations, contact Leslie or Stewart Napoleon no later than Thursday, July 18, at 869-8057 or lesaw@aol.com

